



**GEOGLOWS  
GEO Wetlands  
Freshwater - BON  
IGWCO CoP**

# **GEOGLOWS and the Harmonization of GEO Water Activities**

**Monday Oct. 23 - 8 am to 1 pm**

**Tuesday Oct. 24 - 8:30 am to 10:30 am**

*Regan Building, Washington DC, Room Meridian C*





## AGENDA for Monday October 23

- 08:00 – 08:15:** **Welcoming Remarks and Overview of the GEO Water Activities**  
Barbara Ryan
- 08:15- 09:00:** **GEOGLOWS** (report of recent progress and summarize of commitments from different agencies and GEO Members) **Chair: Adrian Strauch**
- Overview of the GEOGLOWS Program **Angelica Gutierrez**
  - Working Group Data dissemination, community portal, capacity building, and communication **Jim Nelson**
  - ECMWF, GEOFlows, and support for developing countries  
**Jean-Noël Thépaut**
  - Working Group on Socio-economic issues of the water crisis and policy linkages  
**Rose Alabaster**
  - Working Group on Science, applications, product development, and testing  
**Ashutosh Limaye**
  - Working Group on Essential Water Variables and observations  
**George Huffman**
  - Optional: Additional comments on Essential Water Variables  
**Paul DiGiacomo**  
**Jose Romero**
- 09:00 – 09:45:** **Panel on Contributions of Programmes and Agencies to GEOGLOWS**  
**Chair: Angelica Gutierrez**
- Panel Members: Vanessa Aellen (GEO), Bradley Doorn (NASA), Selma Cherchali (CNES), Tom Graziano (NOAA), Nagaraja Rao Harshadeep (World Bank), Osvaldo Moraes (Camaden, Brazil), Paul DiGiacomo (CEOS)
- 09:45 – 10:10:** **Regional Linkages -** **Chair: Nagaraja Rao Harshadeep**
- GEOGLOWS and AO GEOSS and DIAS **Toshio Koike**
  - GEOGLOWS and the Americas **Angelica Gutierrez**
  - Priorities for GEOGLOWS work in Africa **Rose Alabaster**
  - SERVIR Applications to Water Problems in Africa **Sarva Pulla**



**10:10 – 10:30**  **Coffee**

**10:30 – 12:00** **Freshwater Biodiversity, Wetlands and related emerging opportunities**  
(This session is focused on introducing GEO Wetlands and related activities plus new activities that will influence GEO Wetlands and other GEO Water activities)  
Chair: Derek Vollmer

 Wetlands	Adrian Strauch
 Global Surface Water Explorer	Alan Belward
 Freshwater group of GEO BON	Erin Hestir
 The Free Flowing Rivers Programme	Michele Thieme
 Future Earth Lagoon Workshop	Paul DiGiacomo
 Freshwater Biodiversity Working Group of the Sustainable Water Future Programme (SWFP)	Ian Harrison
 GEOGLAM	Ian Jarvis
 The High Level Panel of Water and Water Data Overview of contributions of EO to SDG 6	Nagaraja Rao Harshadeep Sushel Unninayar

Discussion

**12:00 – 13:00** **World Cafe Session**

Procedure:

1. Participants will break into small discussion groups, and each group will have a moderator, and a reporter to take notes and report back in plenary.
2. The break-outs groups will discuss the questions below for about 45 minutes. At the end of the session each group will make a short report back to plenary.
3. These reports will be followed by an overall summary of the findings and recommendations.



Preliminary list of discussion questions will be distributed before the session





# AGENDA for Tuesday October 24

08:30 – 10:00

## IGWCO and GEO Water activities

Chair: Vanessa Aellen

- IGWCO and GEOGLOWS, Status of the GEOSS Water Strategy  
Rick Lawford
- Drought  
Will Pozzi
- GEOCRI  
Yubao Qui)
- EO and the WEF Nexus  
Charles Vörösmarty or  
Rick Lawford)
- The planned SWFP COMPASS Programme  
Charles Vörösmarty  
or Rick Lawford
- Blue Planet  
Paul DiGiacomo
- AquaWatch  
Paul DiGiacomo

Discussion on IGWCO CoP actions

General Discussion of the interactions among GEO, GEO Water initiatives  
and GEOGLOWS

- Perspectives of GEO Management Boards
- Perspectives of CEOS
- Actions we need to take for more effective program implementation



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